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Following a telephone discussion of May 31, 2005 with Examiner Blanco concerning a prior response to the restriction and election requirement dated April 20, 2005, this Supplemental Response is being filed, and its entry is respectfully requested. The amendments noted below were originally offered in the prior response, and have been repeated here for completeness. No fees are believed to be due for consideration of this paper, but if any fees are deemed due, or if any extensions of time are deemed to be necessary, please provide such extensions and charge any such fees to Deposit Account No. 23-3030, but not to include issue fees.

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